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You Must Have Sand And Here Is One Way To Get What You Need

We are not referring just now to that kind of "sand" which all of us require more or less in our individual lives, of which some have too much and others too little, but to that sand, of the builders variety, which is valuable and effective for many purposes. Just now it is obtained that every family should have available at least one pail of sand for fire purposes and just in case a "bomb" should be dropped to use it. This sand should be kept in a dry place throughout the year and be just as available as a pail of water for fire purposes. The local Selectmen, on a plea from the Civilian Defense committee, has designated Thursday, April 30th, as "sand day" and the trucks of the town will visit every section of the community on that day with loads of clean cut sand and dole it out to all residents. If you want a pail of sand, the only thing necessary for you to do is to put out a pail at your front doorstep, or where it can readily be seen from the street and the men on the truck will fill it. Now don't forget the day, next week Thursday, better make a note of it and put out a pail or some other receptacle. Then when a Civilian Defense member asks you if you have the needed sand on hand, you can say, not only yes but that you are ready to use it if necessary. Remember that incendiary bombs are being used in this war, and that it "can happen here".

"Music And Make-up" At Mount Hermon

"Music And Make-up" is the title given the program which will be presented for the Mount Hermon student body at Camp Hall, Saturday evening.

"Music And Make-up" will bring to the campus two professional artists of unusual ability—Miss Mikus, who brings the musical part of the program, plays novelty arrangements on various musical instruments including violin, xylophone, musical-saw, concertina, and bells—and is known as a one-girl-symphony. She has presented programs, concerts, and lecture-recitals throughout New England for schools, churches, colleges, and fraternal organizations.

Muri Daniels, specialist in make-up, is well-known throughout New England and has demonstrated his ability in show at Harvard, in work for the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and in parades.

The proceeds of the function will be given entirely to charity—possibly for Prisoners of War Camps or Chinese Student Relief.

Leonard-Williams

The marriage of Esther Morgan Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Morgan of this town, and George Melvin Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Leonard of Abington, took place last Monday at Huntington, Conn., in the Episcopal Church with the brother of the bride, Rev. Edward C. Morgan, officiating in a double ring service. Mrs. James R. Turner of Greenfield, a sister of the bride, and Kenneth Leonard, a brother of the groom, attended the couple at the altar. Jean Williams was flower girl and Edward M. Morgan gave his daughter in marriage. Guests at the wedding in addition to the above were Mrs. Edward C. Morgan and two children; Mrs. Kenneth Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Mrs. Edward M. Morgan and Mrs. Chester Leonard. After the ceremony a dinner was served in the parish house and after a short social period, the couple left on a wedding trip. Upon their return they will make their home here where both are engaged as teachers in our local school.

Pioneer Valley Symphony Concert In Auditorium On Saturday Evening



Program Is Sponsored By Northfield Schools

The doors of the Auditorium on the Seminary campus will swing open on Saturday evening to the students of the Seminary and of Mount Hermon school, as well as for the faculties of both schools and to the public for another concert of the Pioneer Valley Symphony Orchestra, aided by Robert McBride, the celebrated American composer, as guest soloist on the clarinet. The concert will begin probably at 8:15 o'clock. Harold Alexander Leslie is the director of the large orchestra of nearly seventy members and the "critics" have pronounced Mr. Leslie as a conductor of talent and a musician of sound knowledge. He achieves correct orchestral balance and a nice homogeneity of tone. The concert is sponsored by the Northfield Schools. The program will include the following renditions:

"Overture to Orione" by J. S. Bach; "Symphony No. 1 in C Major" by Beethoven; "The World Is Ours" for clarinet and orchestra, by McBride (Robert McBride, soloist); "Russian Melody for Strings" by Stone; and "Overture to Oberon" by Weber.

The works of Robert McBride have been played by leading symphony orchestras including Boston Symphony, New York Philharmonic, and Philadelphia Symphony. Recently he made a good will tour to South America. He is a member of the music faculty at Bennington College and winner of Guggenheim fellowship in music in 1937.

Northfield will have a rare privilege in the appearance of the Pioneer Valley Symphony in concert Saturday evening.

Unitarian Church

Sunday morning at 10:45 o'clock there will be a service of worship and sermon; topic, "Choosing Values in a Changing World." Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister; Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, organist. Church school, 9:45, topic, "Trees and Birds and Growing Things." A cordial welcome to these services.

On Saturday, Arbor and Bird Day will be observed by the church school of the Unitarian Church. Four Colorado blue spruce trees have been planted in front of the church. It is planned to plant several balsam trees on the north and south sides. The nursery trees are the gifts of generous members of the church and eight of the trees are planted in recognition of the eight men in the service of their country, Harold W. Randall, 4th A. D.; Robert A. Randall, Co. 408 B. D.; Calvin Field, Aviation Cadet, U. S. N. R.; Seth H. Field, Coast Guard; Clifford T. Dwight, 325, 2nd M. C.; Richard E. Danforth, U. S. M.; Norman C. Danforth, U. S. A. C. and Thomas G. Field, U. S. A. C. The young people of the school will help care for these trees and each boy or young man will do his share of raking and improving the surroundings.

A number of members and friends of the Unitarian Church will attend the Connecticut Valley Spring Conference to be held Sunday at 3 p. m., in the church at Bernardston. Rev. Arthur Heeb of Northfield will open the conference with the worship service.

County C. E. Rally Held At Greenfield Last Sunday

The entire Christian Endeavor Society of this town attended the forty-third annual convention Sunday in the First Congregational Church in Greenfield. The Northfield and New Salem societies tied for 100 percent attendance in the contest for the silver cup, given annually to the society having the highest percentage of members at the meeting. At the suggestion of Mr. Dahl, the Northfield Society conceded the cup to the New Salem group, as they had come the greater distance. The Christian Endeavor banner was awarded to Northfield in recognition of their effort and showing. The society which obtains the highest record for three years wins the cup permanently. Northfield will receive credit for her showing this year.

Rev. Kenneth H. Henley, pastor of Second Congregational Church, spoke in the afternoon, and based his talk on the theme that Christian Endeavorers were the sons and daughters of encouragement. He compared the young people to flag staffs of hope, courage, and Christian conviction in these days of strife and uncertainty.

Supper was served in the parish house under the direction of Margaret Wheeler of the Greenfield Christian Endeavor. Ward Abusanra of Worcester led the singing at the supper and in the evening.

The devotional period in the evening was in charge of the South Deerfield Society, and Rev. Frank Custer. Rev. George K. Carter, pastor of the host church, installed the new officers, Ruth E. Field of Northfield being the second vice-president. Rev. Lionel A. Whiston, pastor of the Calvinistic Church in Fitchburg, spoke on "The challenge to the Christian Endeavor today."

A quartet comprising Miss Ruth E. Field and Norton Field of Northfield, Miss Helen Burrows and Frank Foster of Bernardston, sang after the speaking.

Those attending the convention from Northfield were: Rev. Mr. Dahl, Helen and Gloria Savcheff, Ann and Calvin Greenwood, Lucetta and George Marshall, Arline and Edwin Finch, Betty and George Phelps, Hazel and Lawrence Marcy, June and Elizabeth Browning, Mary, Richard and Norman Bolton, Harold Bigelow, Robert Chapin, Bill Compton, Ted Powell, Richard Huber, Richard Harris, Robert Royer, Billy Shattuck, Bob Kregar, Bill Ross, Ruth and John Rikert, Warren Hutchinson, Janet Kehl, Betty Jean Purrinton, Marjorie Herrington, Helen Howard, Portia Chamberlain, Patty Long, Ruth Norton, and Ruth-Elizabeth and Norton Field. Transportation was furnished by Mr. Dahl, Dick Bolton, Calvin Greenwood, Lawrence Marcy, Ted Powell, Helen Savcheff and Norton Field.

Announce Engagement

The engagement of Miss Bernice F. Weatherhead, daughter of Mrs. Etta Allbee of South Vernon, to Alfred O. LaBelle, son of Mrs. Eugene LaBelle of Northfield, has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

The Fortnightly Holds Annual Meeting And Elects Officers

The annual meeting of the Fortnightly took place last Friday afternoon in Alexander Hall. Besides the business meeting, a very pleasing musical program was presented. The Fortnightly sextette rendered several selections, George Phelps played the violin, accompanied by Betty Phelps and William Shattuck gave two saxophone solos accompanied by Mrs. Robert Taylor. Members of the club contributed many books to the Victory Book Campaign. After the meeting a food sale was held.

Newly elected officers, directors and committee members are as follows: President, Mrs. Paul Mayberry; First Vice-President, Miss Natalie Briesmaster; Second Vice-President, Mrs. George W. Carr; Recording Secretary, Miss Anne Mattoon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Edgar Livingston; Treasurer, Mrs. A. J. Marston; Auditor, Mrs. Walter W. Hyde; Directors, Mrs. Ray Thompson, Mrs. H. H. Morse, Miss Elizabeth Campbell; Program Committee, Mrs. William Park, Mrs. George W. Norton, Mrs. W. P. Stanley; Music Committee, Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed, Mrs. F. H. Briesmaster, Mrs. Frank Pearsall.

Scrap Metal Wanted

Chairman Birdsall of the local Salvage Committee has just received a telegram urging the continuance of salvage operations in Northfield although this community will report a record find. If you can get together your old scrap, just notify a member of the committee and its collection will be arranged for.

The Salvation Army for its own benefit will also come to Northfield to make collections and if you have any scrap, they will be glad to have it for resale to aid its work. The wagon will be at Mount Hermon and will canvass in Northfield the week of April 25 to 30. No matter what you do with your old junk, do get rid of it, as the government can use all waste material.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rikert of Mount Hermon announce the engagement of their daughter, Naomi, to Mr. Russell J. Minott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan C. Minott of West Deerfield. Miss Rikert attended Northfield Seminary, Oberlin College, and is now a student at the Katharine Gibbs School of New York. Mr. Minott attended Deerfield Academy and graduated from the Valley Forge Military Academy in 1941. He is enlisting in the Army Ski Patrol and will leave Tuesday for Camp Roberts, California.

Franklin Hermon Club

The Franklin County Hermon Club held its annual meeting on Wednesday evening at Mount Hermon with a dinner in West Hall. Edwin W. Smith of Westfield, president of the Pioneer Valley Association, was the speaker. Others who took part were Frank E. Dunn, secretary of the Alumni Association; Dr. David R. Porter, and Secretary Orville Mirtz. Movies of life at school were shown on the silver screen. There was also election of officers.

Mission Worker Speaker at Congregational Church Next Sunday Morning

Rev. James E. Walter of Boston, Mass., Associate Secretary of the Missions Council of Congregational Christian Churches in the United States, will speak Sunday morning, April 26, in the Northfield Congregational Church, Rev. Edward C. Dahl, minister.

Mr. Walter is especially responsible for the promotion of missionary interest among the 1600 Congregational Churches of New



England. His duties include extensive speaking before all age groups in these churches and leadership in many young peoples' gatherings and summer conferences. He has visited the Home Mission fields of the Congregational Christian Churches in the Southeast, Southwest, the Dakotas, the Rocky Mountain area and Puerto Rico. This last winter (1941-42) he toured Mexico taking pictures, studying the people, and observing the Congregational work in that country.

Born in Ohio, Mr. Walter graduated from Otterbein College and the University of Toledo. In 1933, he was graduated from Yale Divinity School. While at Yale he was associate director of Welcome Hall, the social center conducted by the Church of the Redeemer.

His first parish was in Orange, Connecticut, and from this he came to his present position with the Missions Council, which includes the promotional activities of the American Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of Home Missions of the Congregational Christian Churches and the Council for Social Action.

"Victory Gardens"

Congressman Allen T. Treadway invites the attention of his constituents to a pamphlet entitled "Victory Gardens" which has been issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Due to the high cost of living, people living in small towns and villages are being encouraged to have gardens this year. The pamphlet describes the vitamin and mineral values of various vegetables, and plans are given for small, medium, and large size gardens. The bulletin also tells what to grow, how to arrange planting, how to prepare and fertilize the soil, and how to plant.

Any constituent desiring a copy of the bulletin may have it by sending a postal card to Congressman Allen T. Treadway, Washington, D. C.

The First Aid Club To Be Shown Movie Another Advance Course

Next Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock in Town Hall, the Northfield First Aid Club will sponsor the showing of a first aid movie titled "Before the Doctor Comes." Mr. George P. Billings, chairman of First Aid in Franklin County, will come from Greenfield to show the film. While the movie will be of particular interest to all those who have taken and are taking first aid courses, all air raid wardens, members of the State Guard, auxiliary firemen and other defense workers, may find some value in this movie. A cordial invitation is extended to all first aiders in Warwick, Northfield Farms, Gill and South Vernon, to come to Town Hall next Wednesday evening.

A new Advance First Aid Course will begin on Wednesday, May 6, at 7:30 p. m., in Town Hall. The classes will be held on four Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m., on the following dates: May 6, May 13, May 20 and May 27. Instructors will be Julia B. Austin, Gene Cullum and Hazel L. Schooley. All standard first aiders are urged to bring themselves up-to-date by taking this course and any advance first aiders may use this opportunity for review.

Francis G. Stockbridge Dies In Florida

The death of Francis G. Stockbridge at his home in Dade City, Florida, occurred on Thursday of last week, (April 16). He was born in Northfield on February 4, 1871, and was the oldest son of Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge of Highland avenue. He was educated in the local schools, attended Mount Hermon and was graduated from Massachusetts State College in 1892. For the past 15 years he has made his home in Dade City, where he was active in Christian work, especially of the Presbyterian Church, in which he served as senior elder, and clerk of sessions, until his last illness. He was a teacher in the Sunday School of a men's class. His was a life of high character and Christian service and many will miss him and his work in his sphere of influence. He is survived by his wife, May, one daughter, Miss Syrena M. Stockbridge of Memphis, Tenn., one brother in Lansing, Mich., a sister in Washington and a sister in Springfield, Mass., also his mother, Mrs. Stockbridge of Northfield. Funeral services were held from his home and burial was in the cemetery at Dade City.

Speakers On Sunday At Hermon-Seminary

Several well-known speakers will be heard at the services at the Northfield Schools on Sunday. Dr. Herbert Davis, president of Smith College, will preach in Sage Chapel at 11 a. m., and the Rev. James T. Cleland, associate professor of Religion at Amherst, will conduct vespers service at 5 p. m. At Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel Dr. George Irving of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church, will speak at 10:30 a. m., and Rt. Rev. W. Appleton Lawrence, Bishop of Western Massachusetts, will preach at the 5:30 p. m. service.

Was Invited To Quincy

The Y. M. C. A. of Quincy observed its 50th anniversary on Monday and its founder, George H. Brown, now of Brookline, was the honored guest. The Editor, Mr. Hoehn, was also invited to attend with Mrs. Hoehn, but found it impossible to accept. Mr. Hoehn served the association as its Secretary for the period 1897 to and including 1900. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have frequently visited Northfield and many of our citizens have met them while they were the guests of the Hoehns.

A Pictorial Reminder of the Telephone Dial Changeover



The telephone service in Northfield was cut over to the "dial" system on Wednesday, February 18, and ever since that time, subscribers have become appreciative of the advantages. Service is quickly responsive. The day was an historical event here and is recorded in a series of photographs taken by the Telephone Co. staff and just published in "Telephone Topics", the organ of the Company. From left to right, the first picture shows the old board of the telephone exchange in the Webster block with the final messages coming through, left to right, are Miss Hazel A. Black, Mrs. Mabel Richardson and Mrs. Florence J. Tenney, the operators. The middle photo shows

Chairman of the Selectmen, Fred A. Holton, putting over the first call of the dial system at the Selectmen's room in the Town Hall, and standing beside him, left to right, are Joseph Bonneville, wire chief, and Sydney F. Spencer, manager of the district. The final photograph shows the small but attractive building, which houses the new equipment, on Main Street, just north of the Proctor block, and a group of officials of the Telephone Company who attended the changeover. Northfield has been given the latest and most modern telephone equipment and a service yet to be secured by many communities throughout the state. The Press is indebted to Manager Spencer of Greenfield in obtaining the privilege of publication of these official photographs.

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Robert McBride

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County Brotherhoods Meet Next Monday Eve

The spring meeting of the County Federation of Church Brotherhoods and Men's Clubs will be held next Monday evening with the Methodist Church in Greenfield. Supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock and after a business session the speaker will be Rev. Thomas R. Burns of the First Methodist Church of Fall River, on the subject of the "Philosophy of a Scotchman". Mr. Burns has traveled extensively in Europe and is a graduate of the Boston University Theology School. It is expected that the local Brotherhood will have a large delegation in attendance.

Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and events of the week are as follows: Sunday, 10 a. m., Sunday school; 11, morning worship, sermon by the Rev. James E. Walter of Boston, Mass. Special church meeting to vote on the names of candidates for admission to church membership on May 3rd. 3:30, the Standing Committee and the Missionary Committee are requested to meet with Mr. Walter in the Endeavor room; 7:30, combined Christian Endeavor meeting, Young People's Forum, and evening service. Mr. Walter will be the speaker. All are invited.

Wednesday, 2, Franklin Association meeting at Millers Falls with afternoon and evening sessions and a supper at 6 o'clock. The evening speaker will be Rev. K. R. Henley of Greenfield.

Thursday, 7:30, prayer meeting led by Mr. Dahl; 8:30, choir rehearsal.

Friday, 7:30, evening Auxiliary will hold its annual meeting in the vestry with Dean Earl C. Compton as speaker.

Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Edward Ross of Glenwood avenue will observe their silver wedding anniversary, next Tuesday, April 28. They were married April 28, 1917, and first made their home with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel MacDonald Ross of Northfield mountain. Then they moved to what is known as the Doolittle place on Ashuelot road and later moved to their present home, which he built. Mrs. Ross is a native of Granby and daughter of the late William Spencer and Maud Davis Clark of Greenfield. She is a graduate of the Cooley Dickinson Memorial hospital school for nurses. Mr. Ross, the son of the late Daniel MacDonald Ross of this town and the late Julia Holland Ross of Hopewell, Nova Scotia, was born in East Boston. After the death of his mother, Mr. Ross and his sister resided at Hopewell until he was six, after which time he went to Lynn to be with his father. After his father's death Mr. Ross, with members of the family, came to Northfield mountain to reside, and it was while here that he met his wife, Ruth D. Clark, while engaged in her work as a nurse. It is regretted that Mrs. Ross is not, at present, enjoying good health and she is of necessity staying at the Thompson House in Brattleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Ross have two children, William Donald Ross and Mrs. Julia Holland Ross Curry, wife of Charles Williams Curry of Frost, West Va. They are all living at the home of Mr. Ross.

After Dental Exams

The annual dental examinations have been completed in the first six grades of our school. Though the children's teeth are in better condition than in previous years, faithful dental hygiene and care must be carried on, as well as proper teeth building foods.

Dental clinic work is sponsored by the Northfield Health Council, the work being done by Dr. Holton.

The following children were given dental certificates at the time of the examinations. Certificates signify that children have: Clean teeth and that all necessary work has been done:

Grade 1: Beverly Bolton, James Livingston.

Grade 2: Ethelyn Berry, Patty Chapin, Annette Clark, Norma Holloway, Carl Howard, Janet Pearsall, Richard Rikert, Irene Thompson, William Walker.

Grade 3: Wilfred Clough, Roger Furness, Frederic Giebel, Roger Lopez, Donald McIntire, Edith McIntire, Rosemary Mrocek, Edward Parsons, Meredith Randall, Richard Strange.

Grade 4: Leland Black, Toby Cullum, Kathleen Gingham, Alvin Holloway, Julia Huber, Phyllis Lyman, Jean McEwan, Robert Phelps, David Randall, Candace Rogers, Richard Shattuck.

Grade 5: Marion Andrew, Agnes Duda, Joseph Bilmon, Paul Chamberlin, Stephen Smith, Richard Whitney.

Grade 6: Barbara Bolton, Betty Franks, Jerome Gingham, Stephen Howard, Phillip Huber, Claire Lavalle, Freddie Luciw, Nina Pearsall, David Powell, Jack Powell, Ann Livingston, Marilyn Whitney.

Know Massachusetts by State Planning Board

DO YOU KNOW THAT... The 1940 census showed that more than half the population of Massachusetts, aged 25 years or over, had completed at least one year of high school, while 10.4 percent had completed at least one year of college and 5.4 percent reported four or more years of college... The percentage of persons who had had college education was slightly greater in the rural, non-farm areas than in the cities and larger towns... Value of new building permits issued in Massachusetts during March was only about 15 percent less than in the same month a year ago. Additions, alterations and repairs to existing structures, largely due to war demands, made up nearly a third of the total March building this year... Boston's first public water supply was started in 1662, when springs were tapped and water brought into town by gravity... About 98 percent of the people in Massachusetts are white, 1.3 percent and 0.1 percent of other races. Between 1930 and 1940 the percentage of whites who were foreign-born decreased from 25.2 to 19.9... The State Planning Board has just issued a comprehensive report on the Rehabilitation Plan employed by the Town of Marshfield in the reconstruction of Ocean Bluff which was destroyed by fire just a year ago.

Service Men Mothers

With the co-operation of the Allied Relief Exchange, the Fortnightly and the American Legion, it is hoped that the party for mothers of service men of Northfield will bring out perfect attendance next Wednesday afternoon, at Alexander Hall. The party will begin at 4 p. m., with an exhibit of photos of the boys in uniform or civilian clothes, and a roll call of mothers and their sons. From 4:30 to 5 there will be a short program of music, with two surprise features for the guests. Refreshments and a social half hour will close the program.

WCTU Institutes To-day


There will be held today, Friday, a county Institute of the W. C. T. U. in the assembly room of the Western Massachusetts Electric Co. on Federal street in Greenfield. Mrs. Edward M. Morgan of this town, who is county president, will preside. Many local members of the organization will attend. Sessions will open at 4 o'clock, supper will be served at 6:30 and the evening meeting will follow. The work of the W. C. T. U. will be considered as presented from three departments. All interested friends are invited to attend.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Miller of Montclair announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Nancy Gray Miller, to John Frederick Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen W. Ross of Montclair. Miss Miller is well known here and is a graduate of the Seminary, now at Parsons School of Design. Mr. Ross is an alumnus of Montclair Academy and attending Williams college.

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Students In Services

Northfield Seminary girls will speak at services in Brattleboro and Turners Falls Churches next Sunday, winding up a busy season for the Extension Department of the Seminary Church. Under the leadership of Leslie Call of Groton different groups from the Seminary Church have conducted services in a number of churches in the county during the past three months.

"The Meaning of Worship" is the theme for the morning service in the First Baptist Church of Brattleboro. Leslie Call will be in charge of the delegation which will include Mary Beth Bookoff, Hazel Batchelor and Ruth Scarr.

In the evening meeting of the Young People of the Congregational Church of Turners Falls, Elinor Peck of Guatemala, Nina Balfour of Greece and Mary Alice Cary of Japan will speak on life in these countries. Elinor Peck is in charge of this service.

"Sons" Enjoyed Meeting

Everybody had a most enjoyable time at the "father-son" meeting of the Northfield Brotherhood in the Congregational Church, Tuesday evening. Over seventy persons sat down to the supper at 6:30 o'clock and afterward a group of Boy Scouts gave a demonstration of their work in their various activities. Raymond Bell of Greenfield, a magician, put on a most mystifying program and delighted both the old and young.

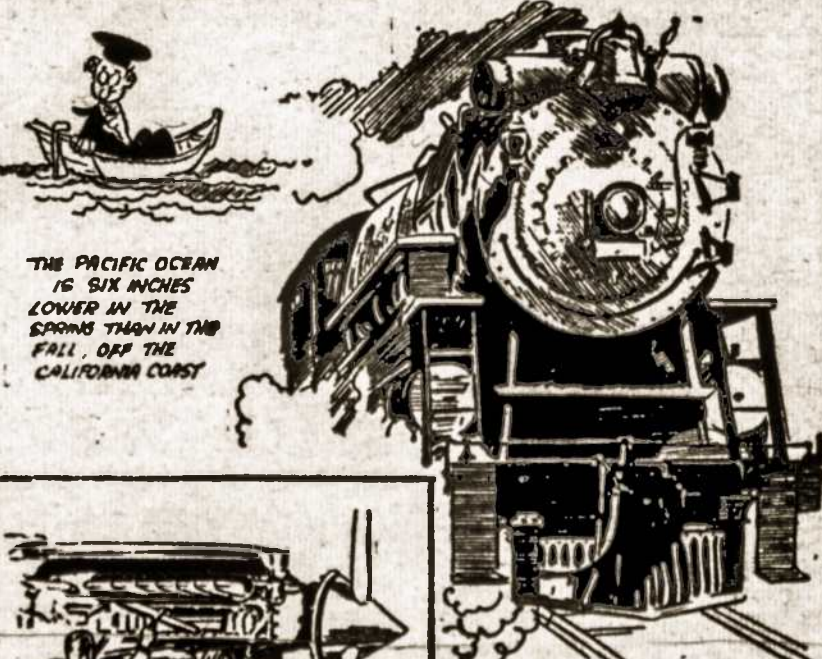
Youth Hostel Week

The second national Youth Hostel Week will be celebrated this year from April 25th to May 2nd. Schools, community centers and other organizations throughout the country will put on special programs, and members can take non-members to hostels without passes. The local hostel is putting on a program at the town hall on Friday evening of next week at 8 o'clock. Youth Hostel movies will be followed by a country dance to which all are invited. There will be no charge for admission.

DELAND'S MUSIC STORE

Franklin County's Musical Center
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TOWN TOPICS

The annual meeting of the Franklin County Public Health Association was held at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield, Tuesday evening. It was a dinner meeting and the speaker was William A. Doppler, Ph. D., of the National Tuberculosis Association. Willis N. Weisabrod of Greenfield was re-elected president of the society. Mrs. Fred A. Holton is the local director.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Owen of Stoneham spent the week-end with their daughter, Mrs. Dana Leavis and family of Glenwood avenue.

Mrs. Fred Davis of the Barnardston road had the misfortune of having a fall last week which fractured her hip. She is at her home and being cared for by Mrs. Elsie Connors.

Mrs. Jennie S. Moore of Maple street has gone to Brattleboro for an indefinite stay with her daughter there.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell of Winchester road, who has spent the winter at Lynn Haven, Florida, returned Wednesday to reopen her home here.

The 12th lodge of instruction of the Masonic fraternity will meet with Morning Sun Lodge of Conway next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The speaker will be Rev. Bro. Frederick Cooper of Greenfield. Many members of Harmony Lodge will attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gingrass went to Newton on Monday to spend the day and taking with them, Mrs. Seery, who had spent the past week end with her daughter, Mrs. Gingrass.

Miss Emma Haltnorth has returned to her apartment here after spending the winter at the Hotel Weldon in Greenfield.

Mrs. George M. Ball returns to Northfield for the summer and opens her cottage on the Mahwah road. She has been registered at the Hotel Tudor in New York.

Sunday, May 10th, will be observed the country over as Mother's day. Special services will be held in most churches.

Members of the home-nursing classes, who recently completed the Red Cross course, are assisting in the work of making supplies for home and community use in sickness or emergencies. Meetings are at the Town Hall.

The public schools which closed for a week's vacation last Friday afternoon, will reopen next Monday morning.

It looks as if there will be no money for Chapter 90 work on town roads this year for Northfield according to a decision made in Boston by the Public Works Commission and County Commissioners.

Mrs. Mary Holton advises us that the Alexander homeplace, now occupied by the Freeman family, was not included in the recent sale of real estate by members of the Alexander family to Mr. Jordan.

The annual meeting for the exemplification of the work and ritual of the Masonic fraternity will be held at the Masonic Temple in Greenfield on Saturday beginning at 2 o'clock. District Deputy Grand Master Ralph M. Forsaith has called this important gathering, which will be under the direction of Wor. Roy P. Niles, the Grand Lecturer. Officers of all lodges in the district are expected to attend.

Mrs. Lewis Shine, who has been at the Farren hospital, has returned to her home on Warwick avenue and is gradually improving. Miss Lucy Shine of Royalston is caring for her.

Northfield Grange will meet next Tuesday evening for work in the third and fourth degrees.

Rev. Harold B. Ingalls, chaplain of the Seminary Church, addressed the Women's Society of the First Congregational Church, Keene, N. H., on Wednesday, on the subject: "The Way of Brotherhood as We Practice It in the Church."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Cregar of Richmond Hill, N. Y., have arrived for a stay at their cottage on Rustic Ridge for a few weeks.

Miss Margaret Ross, who has been at Lynn Haven, Florida, during the winter is returning for the summer season.

A. Gordon Moody of the Northfield Hotel attended the meeting of officers and committees of the Pioneer Valley Association at Hotel Northampton on Tuesday evening. President Park of the Northfield schools was named as the member of the town committees to represent Northfield in the organization.

Mrs. C. H. Webster returned home Sunday after a visit with her daughter, Bernice, in New York.

The New York-Hermon Club will hold its annual dinner and meeting on Thursday evening, April 30, at the Parkside Hotel, New York. President William E. Park will be the guest speaker.

M. David Birdsell, purchasing agent for the Northfield Schools, spoke last week at a meeting of the Food Managing Group of the Worcester County Home Economics Association on the subject of "Food Buying Today."

On Saturday at 9 a. m., Rev. Edward C. Dahl will conduct morning devotions over radio station WHAI. There will be special music by members of the choir.

President William E. Park was the guest speaker last night (Thursday) at the annual dinner of the Hartford-Hermon Club, held in the Hotel Bond at Hartford. Dr. James L. McConaughy, president of Wesleyan, and alumni trustee of the Northfield Schools, acted as toastmaster.

The Rev. William E. Park will preach this Sunday at the opening service of 1942 Youth Week in Union Church, Boston. The subject of his sermon will be "A Great Commandment."

The next meeting of the Allied Relief Exchange will be held in Alexander Hall at 3 p. m., next Wednesday. Many friends, not mothers of service men, who wish to remain for the party that follows, must bring candy or cookies for admission.

Miss Haltnorth, who has returned to Northfield for the summer, celebrated her 85th birthday anniversary on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. R. Moody gave a luncheon for the board members of Dwight's Home last Wednesday at the Homestead.

Mrs. H. M. Guilbert of Dedham and her son John are visiting the Powells this week. Mrs. Guilbert was a Vassar classmate of Mrs. Powell.

The annual mother and daughter banquet of the Congregational Church will be held in the vestry on Wednesday evening, May 13. Mrs. Alvin Porter will list the reservations.

There will be a second inoculation for immunization against diphtheria this afternoon (Friday) from 3 to 4 o'clock in the nurses room at the Town Hall. Mothers whose children did not start the inoculations may bring them this time.

Mrs. Roy E. Barrows and young son of Winchester road has been visiting her mother at Lebanon, N. H., this week.

Miss Louise Roe of Newton was a visitor in town this week, preparing her cottage in Rustic Ridge for occupancy this summer.

Mrs. C. E. Dickerson, who has spent the winter at the Hotel Normandie in Philadelphia, has returned to her home at Oldfield, N. J. She hopes to visit Northfield again this summer.

The Evening Auxiliary will meet this Friday evening with Miss Isabelle Thompson and the next meeting will be Friday evening May 1 at the church and will be the annual meeting.

Mrs. Oliver Fisher of the Farms road, who resides in the old Alexander place, recently suffered a broken leg from a fall, and is about on crutches. Last week she had another fall which dislocated the setting and Dr. Wright had to be called in again.

The annual meeting of the Northfield school district, which comprises this town, Gill, Barnardston, Warwick and Leyden, will be held at the Leyden town hall next Monday evening. The district superintendent is Robert N. Taylor, who will address the school committee members. Harry Erickson of Mount Hermon is president of the district union.

The First Unitarian Congregational Church will hold its annual parish meeting in the church next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Charles C. Stearns, as clerk, has posted the warrant.

West Northfield and South Vernon

Mrs. Andren Plotczyk, who has been ill, is reported as improving. Mr. Plotczyk, who broke his leg several weeks ago, is able to be about.

Mrs. Ralph Holton and two daughters left Monday to spend the week with her father, Joseph Weston, in Belleville, N. J.

Mrs. Carlton Holton is ill and is cared for by her mother, Mrs. George Hall of West Brattleboro. Mrs. Edward Bolton of East Northfield is substituting for Mrs. Holton as teacher at the South school.

Advent Christian Church, Mrs. Florence L. White, acting pastor: Sunday worship at 10:30, sermon, "Spiritual Gifts." Sunday school at 11:45; Loyal Workers' meeting at 6:30. The church will unite with the East Northfield Church, Sunday evening at 7:30. Anyone desiring transportation should notify Mrs. Gertrude Gibson.

The body of Rev. William H. Durfee, who died on Monday of last week at the Vernon Home at the age of 88 years, was taken to North Scituate, R. I., for burial on Wednesday by Mr. Kidder, after the funeral service at his funeral parlor on Tuesday when Rev. Florence White officiated. Mr. Durfee had resided at the home since 1932 with his wife, who passed away on August 22, 1941. He was born in North Scituate, R. I., February 25, 1854, and was a preacher and evangelist for many years.

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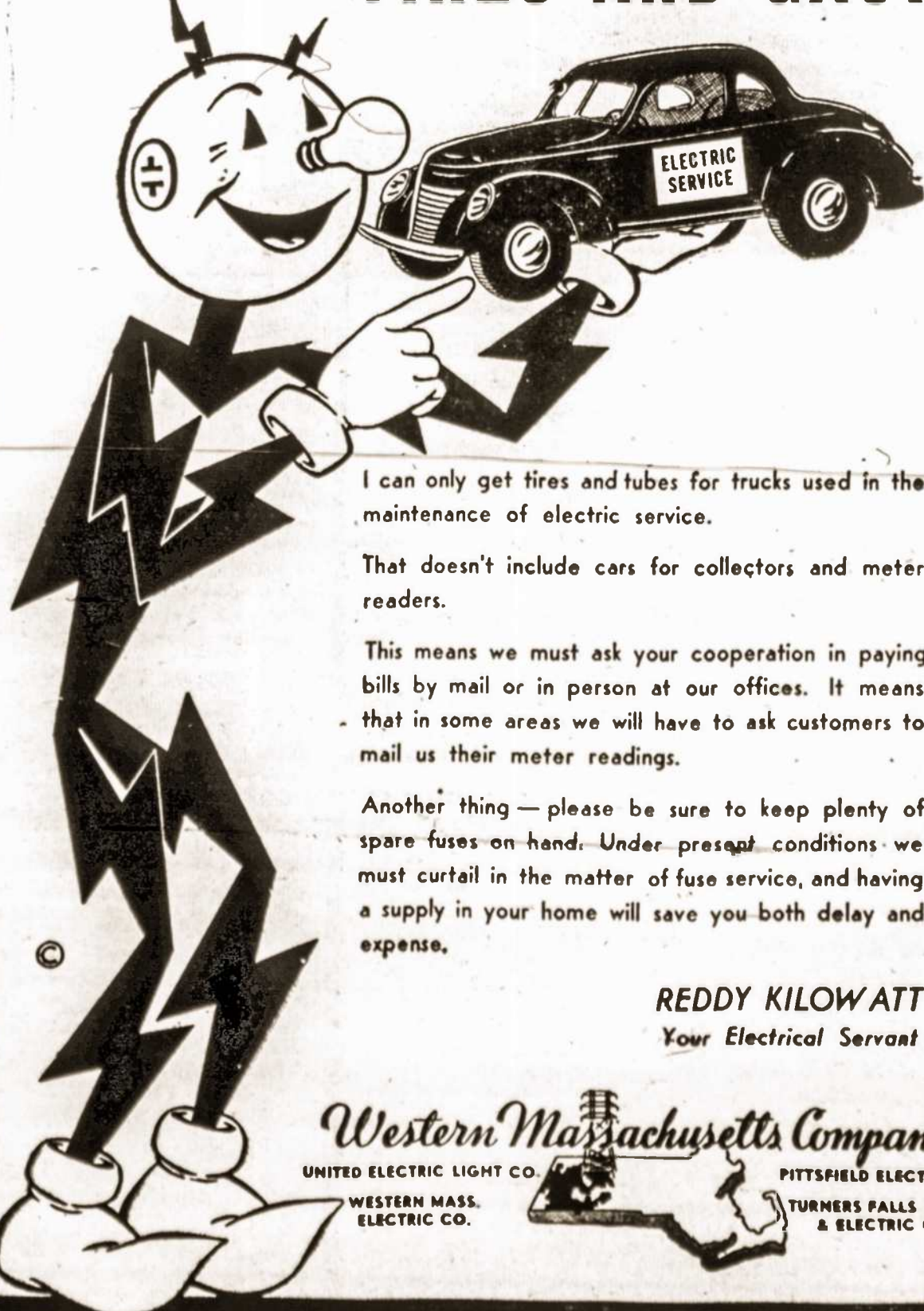
Members of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms are busily engaged in making wool skirts for the American Red Cross.

Recent announcements of tax rates for towns in the country, include Gill with a rate for the year of \$18 and Whately with a rate of \$25. Both rates are the same as last year.

Harmony Lodge of Masons will hold its next regular communication at the Masonic Hall on Parker avenue next Wednesday evening.

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EDITORIAL

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

That system we call private enterprise—which is simply a system under which every man is free to go as far as his abilities, energies and ambitions can take him, no matter how humble his origin or how modest his bank account—made this country. Men labored and took risks, men dreamed and turned their dreams into action, and out of the labor and the risks and the dreaming came our institutions, our industries and our wealth. Under that system which we call private enterprise, wealth has been distributed far more widely and far more equitably, than under any other economic system the world has ever known.

Today this system that we call private enterprise is the source of our strength in the greatest war history has ever known. It is a war in which the acquisition of territory and resources is of only secondary consideration. Our enemies are fighting for far more than economic advantage—they are fighting to destroy, for all time, everything that we associate with such words as freedom, democracy, decency, our way of life.

Pacifism?

Few Americans wanted this war. We allowed ourselves to be pushed around, slapped in the face, and roundly insulted. Then we turned the other cheek and went to sleep while the nation we knew was about to attack us murdered thousands of our countrymen at Pearl Harbor.

We are hardly a militaristic nation but when we finally and reluctantly concluded that cheek turning had failed, we arose almost to a man to defend ourselves and our loved ones. We arose all except a small group of obstructionists, among whom are those who call themselves pacifists.

Pacifism is a great and noble

ideal. In times of peace there are few who do not share the hope of its attainment. In time of war, sincere pacifists regretfully but realistically bide their time and work for peace, by helping to win the war.

It is a fact that we are now engaged in a struggle that must be won if we are to retain the freedom to be pacifists and no amount of blabbering, as the Russians call it, by so-called pacifists, can alter that fact. It has been suggested that should the movement become strong enough it might well prolong the war, cause greater suffering, and even smooth the path for a possible invasion. Indeed, one cannot help but wonder if these ends are not the purposes of the movement, so perfectly is it designed to bring them about.

Fortunately, pacifism is not likely to become strong enough to cause much damage if Americans will keep their heads. Pacifism is meat and drink to pacifists and so far there is no indication that they will be nourished to any great extent by this means. From time to time, individuals, starved for martyrdom or from baser motives, may commit excesses which cannot be ignored and such individuals will have to be dealt with.

But it appears that, for the most part ordinary horse-sense will keep the situation well in hand. Most Americans are too busy helping prosecute the war to take time to be converted. The rest will almost certainly be gifted with a sense of humor!

Pacifism, as a way of life in wartime, will if given enough rope, hang itself. It is locking the door after the horse has been stolen. It is crying over spilt milk. It is tilting at windmills.

These things have never made much sense to Americans!

—Contributed.

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The Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Oleson

Is my face red?

Since the snow went off and the weather turned warm enough for mum to run down to the hen house without wraps, she's taken to feeding the hens. I still have to carry water and do the other work, but she supervises their diet. Well, one day last week they produced 100 percent, the first time since we've had them. I will give myself this much credit, they never dropped below 50 percent during the winter. Naturally some of the increased production right now is due to the urge of spring, but I guess we'll have to give mum credit for the 100 percent output.

I have been hoping and praying for warm weather so that I can get my chickens out into the open. Some of them are pretty well feathered and are anxious to spread their wings. Every day it's either chilly or cloudy and I'd like to start them out when it's nice and warm. I've fixed up an old packing box for temporary quarters, and I'm going to put my little brooder that I had down cellar into it and run out an extension cord so that I can turn it on at night if they need the heat.

I've also spoken to the furniture store and am going to get from them some packing boxes which I'll remodel into a summer laying shelter. If I put them into the shelter right now, I would need to board it up to keep them warm enough, so I think I'll put them into their temporary shelter for the time being.

Well, so much for the poultry end of my farm. I suppose you'll be getting out your lawn mower some day soon and I hope it will be nice and sharp and ready for use when you need it. I saw a little item the other day for sharpening a lawn mower at home. Of course it's a very easy matter to clean a lawn mower, by simply taking it apart and cleaning and oiling it, but I've always considered it somewhat of a knack to sharpen it.

This item came from an agricultural engineer up in New Hampshire. He says that all you need is elbow grease, emery powder, and machine oil for sharpening your lawn mower. Mix the emery powder and the oil to a thick paste. Or if you wish of course you can go down to your

local hardware store and buy a valve grinding compound. You probably could get it at the garage.

First set the lawn mower up on a box so that you won't have to bend your back so much, and then smear the mixture of emery and oil on the bar against which the blades turn to cut the grass. Turn the blades in reverse and keep the bar well smeared with the paste mixture. Keep turning until the edges of the blades are square cut and bright. Naturally you're going to find that some parts of the bar and the blades do not meet, so you'll have to keep tightening the bar against the blades until you have the entire length of the blades well sharpened. Now I think that isn't too difficult a job if you want to try it.

Boy Scout Council Need To Carry On

The Hampshire-Franklin Council of the Boy Scouts will need funds to carry on its work and have appointed a committee to make a solicitation among friends of the boys for the program for the year. Louis Abbey, who is chairman of the Northfield committee, invites contributions and they may be sent to him by mail. The work for boys through the Scout movement has been a satisfying and satisfactory effort and deserves the hearty co-operation of all. Let everyone, who can, give something for this splendid work. The sum of \$3,780 is needed. There are 1,880 Boy Scouts in the county.



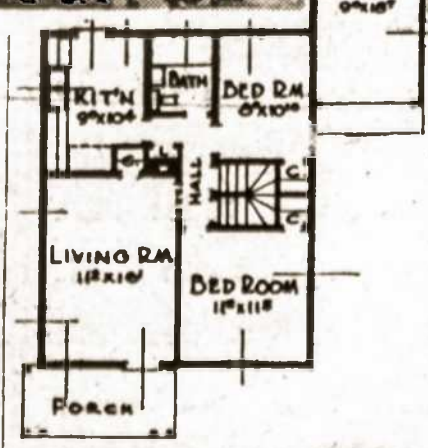
GRANDPA used to worry about how to spare the horses. Today it's how to spare the car. Many a small home has no attached garage to give the car protection, and the family chariot has in the past spent its nights exposed to wind and weather in the driveway.

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